

THE HERALD.

JNO. P. BARRETT, Editor

WEDNESDAY JAN 16, 1878.

Taxation of Railroads.

By the General Statutes of Kentucky, railroads are assessed for taxation at a valuation of \$20,000 per mile. And this is done by Statute, without reference to the value of the road, its property, its receipts, or other sources of income. Is this right? We think not; we well might. The Legislature say that each man's home-state in the State should be assessed for taxation at a fixed sum, without regard to its value. Another view of the question presents itself in the case of railroad company struggling for existence. Is it politic or just to assess the property for taxation at a value three or four times more than it could be sold for? It appears to us to be an act of great injustice, not only to the railroad company, but to the community dependent on the railroad for facilities of travel, &c. If a railroad is taxed beyond her ability to pay, rates of travel and freights are necessarily increased and thus the people are indirectly called on to pay an unjust and discriminating tax.

Again. It is no real benefit to any country to have a bankrupt railroad running through it. The railroad track has to be constantly looked after, the bridges and trestles work inspected and kept in repair, or every one who travels does so at his peril. Better far that the State should receive no tax from railroads than to place upon them such burdens that they are unable to keep everything connected with the road in good repair. Better to tax railroads and their property in their several cash value, to be determined by a board created by law for that purpose, than the present unjust and discriminating assessment. Better still to tax them a reasonable per cent on the net earnings, of the road, and our reasons for this plan are:

First, while it is true that railroads are private property, yet they are so intimately connected with the public good and public convenience, that the public and the government are directly interested in the safe and speedy running of trains on the road.

Second, the net earnings of a railroad is the true criterion of its value. While they may have cost large sums of money, yet the capacity and opportunity of making money must necessarily determine their value.

We think it the duty of the present Legislature to enact a law by which the net earnings of the roads in the State could be ascertained, and then assess a reasonable rate of taxation on the same. The net, not the gross earnings indicate the value of a road. Neglect this, let the roads get in such a condition that they are unsafe, and the result may be such that you will regret having delayed this important action.

the facilities given. If, at present, with the meager advantages Rough river furnishes, she floats to Evansville and other points on the Ohio river \$10,000 worth of timber alone, what will it do when industries are given of transportation for all her products.

Oxon County Railroad.

An act was passed by the last Legislature authorizing the re-litigating of the county, so far as Magisterial and voting districts were concerned. In pursuance of the act, Judge Gregor appointed A. B. Baird, T. J. Smith and S. Woodard, Commissioners to perform that duty. They have acted, reducing the number of districts to 6, and the voting districts to 11 and their report was confirmed by the county Judge last week. The number of Magistrates was entirely unchanged, and made their office and the efficient Constable worthless. It has been a hard-shit good man to act as Magistrate, and nearly half of the Constables offices are vacant.

Either one of these offices will pay a good man in any district in the country, under this new order, which takes effect at the next regular election of Constables and Magistrates.

The boundary of each Magisterial and voting district together with the order confirming the report, has been ordered to be published in the Herald, by the court of claims, and it will appear next week.

The list of claims allowed by the court will also be published next week. Much credit is due to the county Judge and commissioners in getting this thing consummated.

It will amount to a great saving and twelve Magistrates can, and will transact the business of the county more satisfactorily than twenty-two, and the convenience to the voter is much greater than formerly.

The Senatorial Contest.

The scramble for this important office began on Tuesday of last week.

The nominations were Gen. J. S. Williams, Judge Wm. Lindsay, Gov. J. B. McCrory, Democrats, and Hon. R. D. Boyd, Republican.

The first ballot stood: Williams, 50; McCrory, 49; McCreary, 24; Boyd, 14.

The second day Williams and Lindsay sat at 51 each. McCreary lost a little, and Boyd lost one vote also.

The third day the vote stood: Williams, 51; Lindsay, 49; McCreary, 20; Boyd, 13.

The fourth day Williams got 54, Lindsay, 51; and the others held their own.

The fifth day the vote stood: Williams, 51; Lindsay, 48; McCreary and Boyd holding their own.

The sixth day Williams got 48, Lindsay, 44; McCreary, 18; Boyd, 12.

The falling off was occasioned by abstentions.

The vote yesterday stood as follows: Williams, 52; Lindsay, 50; McCreary, 18.

Charles L. Wedding.

Many of our readers will remember the little spare-made delicate-looking youth, once a citizen of our county, who answered to the above cognomen, although born and reared in a poor, sparsely-settled community, with no good school facilities and of poor parentage, he was endowed by nature with a good, well-balanced mind, an indomitable energy, a laudable ambition to make a foot-print on the coast of time—to mark the age in which he lived, so notwithstanding the adverse circumstances surrounding him, so soon as he became his own master, he set out on life's billowy sea determined to succeed or die in the attempt.

He chose the profession of law, and by almost superhuman exertion he worked against any and all disadvantages that beset him, and to-day is one of the leading lawyers of Southern Indiana, although yet a young man of only about thirty-five years of age. He located several years ago in Rockport, Indiana,

We see from the Hoosier papers that he is called upon to become a candidate for Attorney General, subject to the Democratic Convention of that State, which meets on the 20th of February, 1878.

We know that all his old friends and associates here will be glad to hear of this, and had we all a voice in the matter, we would make old Hoosier ring a burlesque for Charles Lee Wedding, for Attorney General.

Charley, my boy, we send you greetings across the clear waters that divide us and believe us that no one wishes your success more sincerely than your old playmate and boyhood friend.

It seems like we remember seeing something in the Kentucky news column of the Courier Journal, last summer to the effect that the Russellville Herald was a poor local paper.

Whatever might have been true, it is not the case now, for we notice a marked improvement in it. It is a live, spicy, readable paper now, and reflects credit upon the proprietor.

Since the fall of Plevna, the Turks have been driven by the Russians at every point, and recently the whole Turkish army defending Skopje Pass, were gobbled up. Its only a matter of time, and short time too, to complete the Russian success.

Congress reassembled last Thursday, J. Marion Banks, of the Reporter, is now the "big boss" of the Democratic party in Henderson county.

In the House there are forty-seven Farmers; twenty-seven Lawyers, six physicians; five merchants; three mechanics; two editors, and one clerk.

We are well pleased with Brother Mullins' "Dollar Democrat." It is an improvement on the Jeffersonian Democrat, and savors less of the spirit of the times of 1798.

Hon. S. E. Hill of this county, was appointed to the Chairmanship of the Committee on Executive Affairs. He is also a member of several other Committees.

N. S. Roark, of Muhlenberg county, has been appointed Deputy Revenue Collector for the Bowling Green District. Col. T. W. Campbell, filled the position under Col. Johnson.

We have received from Col. D. Howard Smith, a copy of the Auditors report for 1877, and at our leisure, will gather some of the information contained therein, and will give to our readers.

Hon. S. E. Hill offered a resolution in the Senate Friday, to appoint a committee of three from each House to take into consideration the propriety of calling a Constitutional Convention.

T. S. Green, editor of the Breckenridge News, and announces that he will enlarge the paper to a twenty-eight-column sheet verysoon.

We forgot to notice last week, the existence of a new paper in Ky. The Meade County Record, Brandenburg, is the title and location, and F. H. Thurman is editor and publisher. Success to you my friend.

J. W. Hopper has leased for a term of years, Mr. W. S. Knott's interest in the Lebanon Standard, and is now sole proprietor. The Standard is a good paper, and Mr. Hopper will keep it up to the Standard of excellency it has heretofore enjoyed.

The report of the State Treasurer of South Carolina just published shows a material reduction of expenses under the present government. In 1872 the total expenses were \$1,000,000; in 1873 they were \$1,045,366; and in 1877 they have only \$12,829. Such a statement is very suggestive.

John P. Barrett, of the Herald, will hold a premium fair at Hartford, all on his hook, the first day of February, and distribute \$1000 in premiums among the sons and daughters of Ohio county round about here, but will say that any person who desires to do so can carry his samples away with him after the show is over. Let every lady entitled to do so compete for these liberal premiums, which are all to be paid in gold, and it costs nothing but a little trouble to try it, and pays well whether you get a premium or not.

Respectfully,

JNO. P. BARRETT.

These Goods were bought at rock-bottom price, and we

WILL POSITIVELY

sell them the same way. We can

FURNISH

anything desired, that is usually found in a country store, and will sell as cheap as any house in this part of the world. We solicit

BEAVER DAM.

These Goods were bought at rock-bottom price, and we

EVERY GIRL

and boy, man and child.

OLD MAID

and young maid, youth and old bachelor.

WIDOW

and widow, every married woman

AND

UNMARRIED WOMAN

and everybody else, of every sex, age, profession and occupation.

IN OHIO COUNTY

and to call and examine our stocks of goods,

AND

we also extend the invitation to persons living in

ADJOINING COUNTIES.

We can undoubtedly sell you

A GOOD

whether they may purchase or not

IF

you will give us a trial you will be pleased. We have secured the services of Mr. Weaver H. Barnes, at Beaver Dam, and Mr. H. Willis Lewis, at Hartford, as salesmen.

THEY WILL

be pleased to have their friends and acquaintances call if they

ONLY

look through our stocks of goods, for

they feel assured that all who call and examine will always

BUY THEIR

Groceries, Clothing, and everything

else in the

GOODS

line, afterwards

OF

Be sure to call on

THEM

before buying elsewhere. We guarantee satisfaction.

Respectfully,

BAER BROS & CO.

H. W. Lewis, Hartford, Conn., Salesmen

W. H. Barnes, Beaver Dam, Salesmen

V. G. D. C. Salesmen

JOB DEPARTMENT.

Our facilities for doing

JOB WORK

Are complete and we solicit the patronage of all

will be promptly attended to, and satisfaction guaranteed.

ORDERS BY MAIL

Give us your patronage.

Though there is much grinding about hard times, the people are still marrying and giving in marriage. Recently our esteemed friends, John Hendrie and Miss Mollie Gibbs, were united at Hyden's altar for better or worse in coming life, in the presence of quite a number of friends, which number, we are happy to say, included your humble correspondent. Immediately after the ceremony, the happy couple proceeded to the residence of the groom's mother, where a magnificent supper had been prepared by that hospitable lady, to which maple justice was done by all, and your humble scribbler was made conspicuous by the active part he took in making way with the array of good things before him. That a lifetime of happiness may be theirs is the wish of a numerous friend.

Mrs. Mollie Wren, of Cincinnati, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Hendrie, of this neighborhood, and by her, pleasing address and happy good humor has won for her friends all who have had the pleasure to meet her. May her stay in the times of 1798.

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FELIX.

Fordsville Letter.

FORDSVILLE, KY., Jan. 12, 1878.

Editor Herald:

We have had two weddings in this county this week—Miss Anna Burdett to Willie Morton, and Miss Bettie Noland to G. M. Wells, are the happy couples. We wish them a bright future.

Some time ago I noticed a communication from your Rosine correspondent, wanting to know of our matrimonial contractor would furnish bands for twenty-five dollars each. Yes, he will find them husbands (poor things) if they will come up here, but he doesn't think he could find such as they deserve near Rosine. He already has one selected, but this, the poor fellow lets his hair in the middle—it is parted widely, too, for he is bald as you please.

Mr. Clarence Bay, very intelligent young man of Hopkins county, who has been visiting relatives and sweethearts for some time, left a few days ago, for his home.

Every person I meet is polite. Candidates, you know.

HARDWARE.

TERMS PER SESSION.

Primary Department, \$10.00

Junior Department, \$12.00

Higher English, \$20.00

Latin and Greek, \$25.00

One-half of the Tuition will be due at the opening of the session, and the other at the close.

No deduction is made except in case of sickness, and no part of the fees will be given at any time during the session.

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Transient advertisements must be paid for in advance.

Charges for yearly advertisements will be collected quarterly.

All advertisements inserted without specified time will be charged for until ordered out.

Notices under head of "Preferred Letters" Ten Cents per line.

Announcements of Marriages or Deaths not exceeding five lines, and notices of Preaching published gratis.

Obituary Notices, Resolutions of Respect and other similar notices, Five Cents per line.

Job work of every description done with neatness and dispatch at city prices. We have a full set of tools, and solicit the patronage of the business community.

Arrival and Departure of the Mails.

The Western Mail leaves at 9 a.m., and arrives at 3 p.m.

The Eastern Mail leaves at 1 p.m., and arrives at 12 m.

Sulphur Springs, Hopkinsville, Hopkinsville, Ky., leaves every Thursday at 1 p.m., and arrives Saturday at 3 p.m.

The Owensboro mail, via Paducah, Bardstown, Pleasant Ridge and Munsonville leaves on Tuesday and Friday at 7 a.m., and arrives Monday and Thursday at 6 p.m.

The Centerville mail arrives at 10 a.m., and departs at 11 a.m. Wednesday, and LAWTON, Postmaster.

Paducah and Elizabethtown Railroad Company.

TIME TABLE, No. 3.

In effect Sunday, July 1st, 1877.

ROUTE WEST.

Leave Louisville	5:30 a.m.
Bardstown	6:25 a.m.
Circus	6:40 a.m.
Hopkinsville	10:26 a.m.

Arrive Owensboro	5:23 p.m.
Nashville	5:35 p.m.
Hopkinsville	5:55 p.m.
Henderson	6:15 p.m.
Evansville	6:40 p.m.
Paducah	6:55 p.m.

ROUTE EAST.

Leave Paducah	9:00 a.m.
Bardstown	7:35 a.m.
Henderson	10:00 a.m.
Hopkinsville	11:30 a.m.
Guthrie	10:25 p.m.

Arrive Louisville	2:45 p.m.
Circus	3:40 p.m.
Elizabethtown	4:00 p.m.
Paducah	5:15 p.m.

An express train makes close connection between Louisville and Circus. Train daily except Sunday.

Gen. A. ANDERSON,
General Manager, Elizabethtown.
J. M. DOOR, Agent, Beaver Dam.

General Local News

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16, 1878.

Preaching Sunday, by Rev. W. W. Cook.

Best Cigars in the city at Edwards & Foster's.

The finest 2¢ cent Cigar in the State, at Fords.

Candy at 10 cents per pound, at Edwards & Foster's.

The Shoe will be held at Mrs. McMenamy's, on next Friday night.

New crop N. O. Sugar at Edwards & Foster's, at 10 cents per pound.

The Hartford Library Club will meet on next Friday night at Mr. E. C. Hubbard's.

If you want a good cigar or a drink of pure wine or liquor, go to the Hartford House.

Mrs. Mary Rose left Saturday last for Greenville, Ky., where she is visiting relatives.

If you want a square meal, a good bed or a horse well fed, give the Hartford House a trial.

Bear Bros. & Co. do not advertise papers, but they will sell you as cheap as anybody in the Green River country.

If you want to buy a good Henningsen Sewing Machine, cheap go to the agent, Will Morell, at Beaver Dam.

Our assessors began to put in their work on last Thursday. Make an inventory of what you have, and be ready when called on.

For the comfort of his passengers, Mr. J. Davie, commissioner of the State Bureau of Agriculture, Horticulture and Statistics, has his annual report. It makes a volume of about 800 pages, and is mostly and elegantly gotten up, and contains much valuable information. It is accompanied by a new map of the State, which adds much to the interest of the publication.

Col. O. P. Johnson is in town arranging to remove back to his property here. While we gladly welcome the return of himself and family, we as deeply regret the loss of Mr. Wm. Shull and family, who will probably shortly leave us. Mr. Johnson takes the mill back, which leaves Mr. Shull unemployed.

We have received from Winston J. Davis, commissioner of the State Bureau of Agriculture, Horticulture and Statistics, his first annual report. It makes a volume of about 800 pages, and is mostly and elegantly gotten up, and contains much valuable information. It is accompanied by a new map of the State, which adds much to the interest of the publication.

"Every bitter has its sweet," and the return of Miss Annie Howard to Greenville last Saturday was exceedingly bitter to many of the Hartford young men, but her promise of another visit are long dispels this unpleasantness and infuses them with a new life of naught else than sweetness. Her modesty and gentility were the avenues to many of the boys' hearts.

Alexander the Great conquered the world and wept because there were no other nations to subdue; but it was left to Jo. B. Alexander to inaugurate and conduct the best hotel in the Western States. He is faithfully fulfilling his mission, as can be proven by any one who has ever been the guest of the Alexander Hotel, corner Seventh and Market sts., Louisville, Ky.

MARRIED—December 23, 1877, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. J. A. Bennett, Mr. Thomas B. Coghill to Miss Mary E. Ashly; both of Ohio county, Kentucky.

We heard a man say the other day, that Will Morell, at Beaver Dam, sold cheaper drugs than any other apothecary in the county. He always has a full supply of everything in his line.

No merchant can afford to sell you calicoes and domestics for less than cost, and sell you other goods at reasonable rates. Bear Bros. & Co. want to do a straightforward business, and will not be swayed by any body.

Mr. J. C. Soper, agent for the P. & E. railroad, has been in town during the week. He was having a second mortgag on the P. & E. railroad recorded in our county clerk's office. The mortgage is for \$1,200,000.

DIED—At Brook's mill, near Hayesville, Ohio county, Ky., January 9th, 1878, of typhoid fever, Sarah Frances wife of Frank Phillips, and daughter of Humphrey and Frances Brooks, in the twenty-first year of her age. The deceased was a niece of the late Philip Brooks, of Hartford.

FORRESTER.

Apples, Onions and Potatoes at Edwards & Foster's.

1,000
Leaders, fresh, just received at Ford's.

Go to Edwards & Foster's for the best Family Flour in town.

Greens

August Flower and German Syrup, for sale at Ford's, 10¢ per bottle.

The Mite meetings seem to be growing in interest. The last meeting was held at Mrs. Lou Collins', and about fifty persons were present.

If you want to see a nice lot of dry goods, clothing, hats and shoes, queen-size wear, and groceries, go to Bear Bros. & Co., in Hartford or Beaver Dam.

If you want the very best, custom-made boots and shoes in the market, call at the shoe shop at L. F. Woerner.

I have a good saddle and work mare 6 years old that I want to sell. Price \$65, terms reasonable.

J. E. FOOTE.

Mr. Seth McDowell, a reliable, worthy young man, reared up in the country a few miles east of Hartford, has been employed in Mr. Z. Wayne Griffin's drug store.

We are indebted to our old friend W. H. Cummins, for a large lot of Indian curiosities of various kinds, which our friends can examine at any time, which is best at the office.

The Herald corps received a nice visit yesterday evening from Mrs. Edwards, in the way of a lot of choice apples. Their wishes are that they may be alive and kicking a hundred years.

The Court of Claims made a good selection for road and bridge commissioner for the two Hartford districts, in the person of Mr. M. P. McDowell. He will make a faithful and efficient commissioner.

We publish the following letter to show how our paper is appreciated by those who have tried it:

PRINCETON, Ky., Jan. 10, 1878.
John P. Barrett, Esq., Hartford, Ky.:—

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I will ride around and see what tobacco I conveniently can. I will receive a

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Yours, etc., L. P. RALEY.

A Leading Grocery Firm.

By reference to our advertising columns, you will find the card of Carson, Bowles & Co., wholesale grocers of Louisville, Ky., who have been eight-eighths in the great West for a few years past, returned home about Christmas, and has concluded to remain. He has accepted the position of clerk in the Wise House.

"Shanghai" George Simpson and a man by name of Overton got into difficulties a few days ago, near Hines' Mill, while under the influence of whisky, and Simpson got a severe cut from a knife in the hand of the other, wounding him in the back and arm.

The readers will find it to their interest to read the advertisement of D. L. Talbot. His shades and card cases are all that he claims for them. We have purchased of him for our office and are well pleased. Call at our office and see them.

Julius Winter & Co., S. E. corner Third and Market streets, Louisville, Ky., can guarantee them the best of the best.

Mr. Luther C. Duke, a native of this country, who has been eight-eighths in the great West for a few years past, returned home about Christmas, and has concluded to remain. He has accepted the position of clerk in the Wise House.

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